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: A ROTOR-BEARING SYSTEM USING  
: PERMANENT MAGNETS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT****MAIL STOP PCT**

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Sir:

Please amend the present application without prejudice before action.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.